

ABSTRACT

5 A technique for handling off-loading and retrieval of document content in a document processing system like Lotus Notes or Microsoft Exchange is disclosed. Content is detached from a document and off-loaded to a repository. The off-loaded content is replaced in the document by a text message which explains that the content has been off-loaded and a labelled retrieve button. Code is provided relative to the button to retrieve the content back from the repository when a user selects the button for reincorporation into the document. When the content has been restored to the document, the text message and the retrieve button are removed from the document. Since the whole code is kept behind the button, there is no need to modify the document processing application. This means an existing application built on top of a document processing system can be enabled for off-loading with few administrative steps.

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